



2016 NCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

First Round · Georgia vs. Indiana

Purcell Pavilion at the Joyce Center · Notre Dame, Indiana

Saturday, March 19

POSTGAME QUOTES – Indiana

Teri Moren, Indiana Head Coach:

Opening Statement...

“It was a gutsy win for the Hoosiers. We played a lot of different players throughout — I thought our scoring was pretty balanced. We left a few free throws out there, and that’s a little frustrating. We are really happy. It has been 33 years since Indiana women’s basketball has won a game in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. I just wanted them to be relaxed and to go out there and be their best for 40 minutes. We’re just really proud of our players right now.”

On offensive attacking by the guards....

“I want all of our guards to attack the basket and get to the free throw line. That’s something this team has done really well is getting to the line. [Tyra Buss] has had to. That’s really her mentality — she wants the ball in her hands at crucial times in critical possessions. We always tell her she needs to either score the ball or get to the free throw line. That’s who she is as a player, she embraces the opportunity. Her team needs her and she senses that.”

On the close game...

“We’ve always had to battle back after being down. This group is resilient, they know that the next play is always the most important play. They have a great feel for what needed to happen and we finally settled in and got Cahill a big three to tie it up. We had to focus on the big plays and the big stops and rebounds in the fourth quarter.”

On what this win means for Indiana basketball...

“I don’t think they fully understand the magnitude of this win for Indiana women’s basketball. They might not fully recognize it until after the season is over, but we’re building something special here. When you think Indiana, you think Hoosier basketball. We want you to think of the tradition not only in the men’s program but also the women’s. We want to be on Selection Monday night waiting for our placement every year, we want to be a strong competitor every year. We want to build our own tradition.”

Tyra Buss, Indiana (Guard):

On physicality of tonight's game...

"It was very physical. But the coaches told me going into the game that when I drive, a lot of players are going to come to me and the kick out would be open. It was really physical but I am kind of used to it playing in the Big Ten. The Big Ten is very physical as well so it prepared me for this game."

On no-call play in third quarter...

"I just have to play through it. I was not thinking much about it. Even through contact I just have to keep playing through regardless of if I get the call or not."

On talk with Karlee before game deciding free throws...

"She was just saying knock down these free throws because we need them. She just said come in big time."

On difference from first half to second half in her offensive performance...

"I attacked a lot more. I think my teammates really helped me with that by setting screens. They were also knocking down shots in the first half as well so the other players did not help off of them as much and they were not really playing as close defense on me. So attacking more and going through contact finishing."

On what Coach Moren told her going into second half...

"One thing my coach kept telling me was that I need to go off of ball screens a lot harder. She did not think that first half I was going off of it as hard. So that is definitely something she told. She wanted me to keep attacking hard and she kept encouraging me to keep attacking, they will either call a charge or I will finish. She was definitely talking to me throughout the game."

On opportunity to play in second round...

"We do see it as an opportunity. We did come into this game thinking it was a good opportunity for us as it has not been done for a long time in our program. Just to come out with the energy and sticking together as a team and getting those stops late in the game, we just stuck together ... and that really helped. And to get the opportunity to play in the second round is really big for us. And hopefully we can keep winning and advancing."

On when they heard about Indiana men's team advancing...

"We were warming up in the practice gym and we were talking to coach and we asked her for the update of the men's scores. She told us then that they had won."

Amanda Cahill, Indiana (Forward):

On how they pulled out the win...

“I think we were just really sticking together. We had good communication on the defensive end. We stayed intact with our zone defense and I think that helped us be successful. I really credit my teammates and my coaches for communicating and being on the same page.”

On preparation for Notre Dame...

“We know that they are a good team but we do not know a lot about them. We will start our prep either tonight or tomorrow early so we will be prepared come Monday night.”